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In the application of:

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CARRIER

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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated January 16, 2002, Applicant respectfully requests entry of the following amendments and reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding objections and rejections.

AMENDMENTS

Please cancel Claim 8 and amend the remaining claims as follows:

1. (Amended) A method of extracting nucleic acids from a material containing nucleic acids using a nucleic acid-binding particulate carrier, the method comprising the steps of:

(a) mixing the material containing nucleic acids, a nucleic acid-binding particulate carrier having a particle diameter of 0.5 to 15.0 μ m, a pore diameter of 80 to 250 nm and a pore

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